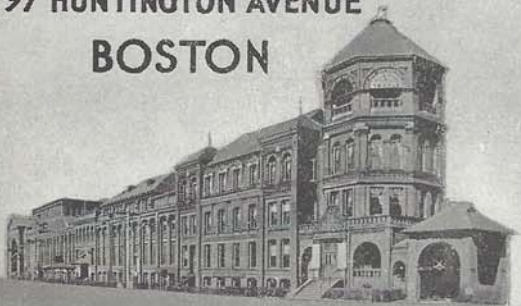


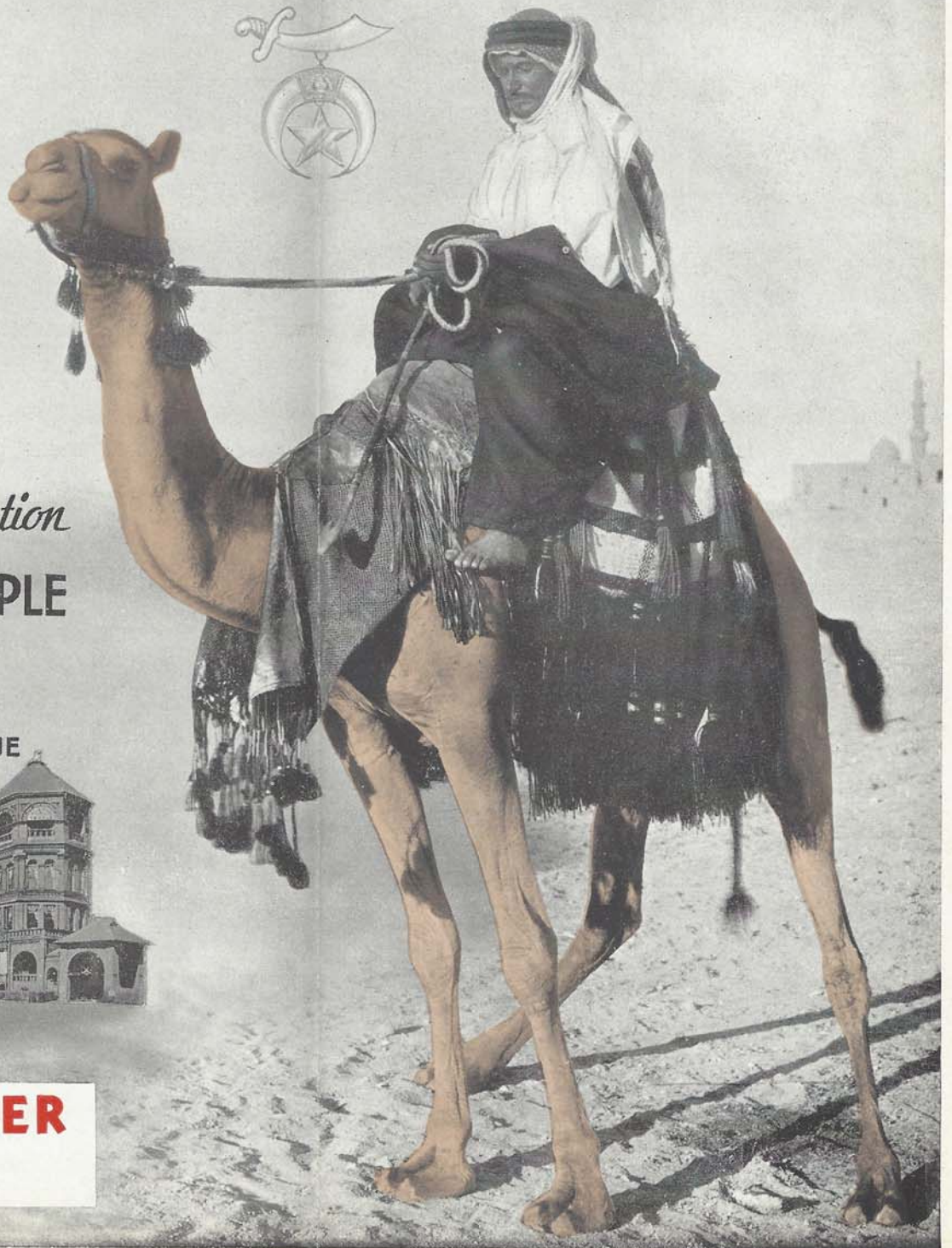
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## PLACING THE ROPE

EVERY Masonic body above the Blue Lodge possesses some special feature of appeal, and it is the method pursued in presenting this appeal to a prospective candidate that either attracts or repels. A salesman should be thoroughly conversant with his subject in order to interest a prospective buyer successfully. It does not make any difference whether the thing to be sold is hardwood, insurance, real estate, or fraternity. Should you approach a prospect and say, "Let me sell you some insurance," you would be like the small boy who went to the drug store and asked for some powder, whereupon the druggist replied: "What kind? Face, seidlitz, gun or roach?" You must get down to cases and be specific when you attempt to gain favorable consideration. The recognized steps in making a sale of any kind are: (1) Gaining attention, (2) arousing interest, (3) creating desire, and (4) making the sale. To attempt the fourth step before taking the others is to nullify your chance of a sale. There are two steps in selling the Shrine that should always be kept clearly in mind: arousing interest and creating desire. Gaining attention is easy — making the sale is hard. Therefore to carry out the two essential steps one should present the desirable Shrine features in such a way as to create desire, and when that is done you have placed the rope in the hands of a new novice.

## IMPERIAL POTENTATE SPEAKING

SINCE being elected Imperial Potentate, it has been my privilege to visit over twenty-five Temples and I find that the newer members of our great Order are unfamiliar with the origin and history of the Mystic Shrine, when, in reality, the history of the Shrine forms one of the most remarkable stories in the fraternal and social life of our people. Its origin, its personnel and its growth, in fact its entire record, is inspiring.

Sixty-three years ago, thirteen Masons banded themselves together to form the Mystic Shrine and for a few years the Order struggled for an existence. Suddenly, it became firmly rooted and its growth became so rapid that today there are hundreds of thousands of Nobles scattered throughout the United States and Territories, from Canada to the Canal Zone, from Maine to Mexico and to the far Hawaiian Islands.

The origin of the Mystic Shrine is somewhat uncertain, but the Author and Originator, Noble Billy Florence, an Actor and Tragedian of world travel through the Orient, claims that the present Ritual is a liberal translation of one of the most ancient orders or societies which existed in the far East from time immemorial. He, together with Dr. Walter H. Flemming, and other friends, all of whom were Masons, organized the first Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and named it Mecca.

The Imperial Council was not organized until June 6, 1876 and therefore, the first years of Mecca Temple actually become the early history of the Mystic Shrine.

The first report on membership was made in 1879 and showed that there were then thirteen Temples with four hundred and twenty-five members. In 1890, the membership had grown to twenty-two thousand, five hundred and today, its nearly four hundred thousand members rank it as one of the outstanding organizations of this country, both in number and in influence.

This inspiring record should stimulate us to greater effort, and we should lose no opportunity to maintain its traditions and to further extend its usefulness.

As Imperial Potentate, I have visited from Washington, D. C. to Seattle, Washington, and from Vancouver to Halifax, and I am glad to state that I find more Shrine optimism, a better Shrine spirit and an increased number of candidates. Temples are enthusiastic and Shrine functions and activities are occupying the attention of the Nobility. There is an upward movement that speaks well for the future of our Order.

May I counsel our newly created Nobles to take some interest in Shrine work, fraternize with the Nobility and become acquainted. Permit me to emphasize the fact that your Shrine careers will largely depend upon your early interest in the activities of the Order.

LEONARD P. STEUART, Imperial Potentate.

## A LETTER TO THE POTENTATE

### From the Chairman of the Trustees, Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children

MY DEAR POTENTATE:

Through the courtesy of your Illustrious self and the Editor of the Aleppo monthly magazine, I have been receiving and reading each issue with great interest.

I write to sincerely thank you for your publicity and support of Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children. It is a great assistance to me in my endeavor to carry the gospel of Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children to the heart of every Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

As a result of the support of the various Temples which are assisting, by giving such publicity as you contribute through the Aleppo News, I can find a definite increase in the interest in Shriners' Hospitals. This is evident by the great increase in the subscriptions for Permanent Contributing Membership or, in other words, Life Membership in the Hospital Fund.

Please be assured of my grateful appreciation and might I ask you to extend my sincere thanks to the splendid Nobility of Aleppo Temple.

Yours in the faith,  
W. FREELAND KENDRICK

Editors Note: The Life Membership to which Noble Kendrick refers is in relation to the \$2.00 annual Hospital assessment which goes directly to the Imperial Council. For one payment of \$60 you may purchase this Life Membership and be relieved of the annual assessment of \$2.00. Life Membership in Aleppo Temple is a separate matter and may be had for \$150.





*Imperial Potentate Leonard P. Stuart*

# A MESSAGE *from the* **Imperial Potentate**

OF THE  
IMPERIAL COUNCIL  
A.A.O.N.M.S.



TO THE NOBLES OF ALEPPO TEMPLE: —

**F**EW Temples are more favored from the standpoint of location than is Aleppo. Boston, and its environs, is filled with memories of our Nation's birth and spots that will always remain hallowed because of their patriotic baptism. In that "Shot that was heard around the World" Lexington immortalized its name and bequeathed an imperishable legacy of inspiration to the future.

With such a background as this, it was inevitable that Aleppo Temple would occupy an outstanding rank among the Temples of North America. Shrine destiny, no less than National destiny, marches on. Many perplexing problems are today keeping the Nations of the World in a state of ferment and uncertainty; problems that might be solved if the principles that underlie the Mystic Shrine and the spirit that is our guiding star, could be made universal.

That is a task to which every member of the Mystic Shrine could inwardly dedicate himself and thus hasten the day when the fears and rancors of distrustful men will disappear and tolerance and true brotherhood will usher in a reign of peace and fraternal understanding.

Aleppo, you have a high destiny, and may your light ever shine as a beacon to guide the feet of struggling men.

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

LEONARD P. STEUART

Imperial Potentate



# Arabia the Mysterious

## Its Arabs of the Desert and Its Holy Cities

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of the Publishers, The Grolier Society*

*(Continued from October Issue)*

WE may best see the life of Arabia on a bazaar, or market day. Tents of matting are erected and are crowded with all kinds of marketable goods, from wool, cloth, reed mats, palm fibre and dates, to fruit of every description, cattle, sheep, implements and all that goes to make up commercial and pastoral existence in Arabia of to-day.

Apart from the booths and tents, there are permanent shops, which are roofed like arcades in our country. In them we may see tailors, potters, metal-workers, jewelers, dressmakers, carpet-sellers and members of most other trades and professions, with crowds of people always seeking bargains. Every now and then, donkeys heavily laden with merchandise or camels with loads sticking out at dangerous angles force a way through the crowd. They may often unceremoniously hurl passers-bys into shop fronts, thereby upsetting the shopkeeper's goods, but no one seems to resent this treatment for it has all been a part of the bazaar for ages past.

In Arabia, religion plays an important part in the daily life of the people, and when the priest gives the call to prayer from the towering minaret all business ceases for the moment and everyone turns to wash their hands and feet before praying. At the conclusion of the prayer business is resumed and the clamor of buying and selling continued.

Marriage in Arabia is a simple affair for it demands no more than the presence of a priest and four witnesses. In the interior of the country it is still further shorn of ceremony, for the legal necessities of the occasion are satisfied by the presence of witnesses from both families, and, a feast having been given, the marriage festivities are over.

From the romantic aspect, the Arabs of the desert are the most interesting to us, for they are the riders of the plains and are forever on the move. The internal decoration of an Arab tent is often carried out on artistic lines if the owner be moderately wealthy. The floor is covered with carpets, and on one side will be a divan formed of carpets and cushions for the host and his guests. The walls are hung with embroideries worked by the women, who are as clever with the needle as they are at rounding-up cattle and camels. Suspended along the walls will be guns, harness and clothes, and on the floor stand the numerous coffee-pots and cups.

The Arab diet is mainly mutton, rice and bread, with small cakes made from milk and a form of vermicelli. If the camp be near the coast, fish is included. Prawns served dry are very popular. Camels' milk is drunk, and the first thing a thirsty traveler does is to drain a bowl.

On the occasion of a big feast, such as the marriage of an important person or some political event, the meat and rice are cooked in a kind of steamer raised a few inches above the ground and are served with bread, cakes, fruit, dates,

serves the site of the proposed camp by spreading a mantle over a bush in the centre of the chosen ground. Although there may be others moving in the same direction, no one will interfere with the selection, however good the pasturage or attractive its other qualities.

The tribe marches in a long cavalcade, with possible several thousand head of camels, sheep, goats and cattle. The men are distributed along the convoy directing the line of march. The women and children and all the paraphernalia of the camp are on camels and donkeys, and at the head of the tribe rides the sheik, or chief.

The women are veiled and ride on camels in a sort of huge pannier — a basket-carriage placed on the camel's



A Group in a Courtyard of an Arabian Home —  
Native Water Carrier at the Door

milk and sundry other dishes. The company disposes of the food without the aid of knives and forks, making use of the fingers as Nature intended. At the end of the repast brass and copper bowls are handed round, in which the guests wash their hands.

### An Arab Tribe on the March

WHEN on trek the Arabs have some interesting customs in connection with their camping grounds. They send one of their number ahead, and he re-

back — with two large wooden crescents at front and rear, the horns of which stand out on each side of the pannier. From them hang the long tassels and the gaudy embroidery of this queer carriage. These are its most attractive feature, for the pannier is very uncomfortable, and the unfortunate occupants are like hens cooped up in a form of rocking carriage, the motion of which varies in accordance with the ground over which the caravan is passing.

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# Noble Spottiswoode Appointed Trustee of Permanent Fund

NOBLE WILLIAM SPOTTISWOODE was appointed on October 2nd by Illustrious Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie a Trustee of the Permanent Fund of Aleppo Temple to fill the unexpired term of the late Noble George H. Hudson.

Noble Spottiswoode was born in Blair Gowrie, Scotland on February 16, 1869. He came to the United States July 4, 1891, and started his business career the



Noble William Spottiswoode  
Trustee of the Permanent Fund  
of Aleppo Temple

following month with the John Gilbert Jr. Company, located at that time at the corner of Howard Street and Tremont Row. This company is now owned by Noble Spottiswoode and is located in the Park Square Building, Boston. They are fancy grocers and fruiterers and have the reputation of carrying the finest quality of merchandise, coming from all parts of the world. During the Civil War every war vessel leaving Boston Harbor was fitted out with provisions by this company.

Noble Spottiswoode is a member of Henry Price Lodge, Cour De Leon Commandery, a life member of the Scottish Rite Bodies of Boston, and of Aleppo Temple, which he joined in 1909.

He is Treasurer of Boston Court No. 103, Royal Order of Jesters and a Frater of the Massachusetts College of Societatis Rosicrucianae.

He is a member of the Sinking Fund Commission of the City of Boston and a Trustee and Treasurer of the Permanent Fund of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, a life member of the Caledonian Club, Scottish Charitable Society, and a Past President of the Boylston Street Associates.

## CRESCENT TEMPLE INVITATION

"A world wide invitation is extended to all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, no matter where you hail from, if you are in Atlantic City on a Friday night to drop in at our Club Rooms, Suite 110-111 Ambassador Hotel and enjoy a pleasant evening with us.

We will welcome those who accept our invitation and endeavor to show our appreciation for the honor you confer upon us."

## Stoughton Noble Celebrates Eighty Second Birthday

CONGRATULATIONS and good wishes from far and near have been pouring into the home of Dr. (and Noble) William O. Faxon of Stoughton, Mass. Thursday, October 24th, was the 82nd birthday anniversary of this noted and typical "country doctor" who has also been Medical Examiner for Norfolk County for 42 years.

Doctor Faxon, of whom neighbors speak as a "lovable character", holds a record of 101 calls in one day and 1548 calls in one month. Just returned from a two weeks' trip to the Maine woods, he is vigorous, hearty and full of pep for another busy winter.

Snow storms, blizzards and gales mean nothing to him who investigates all accidents or sudden deaths in Sharon, Canton, Avon, Walpole, and Stoughton. He has brought into the world babies whose parents and even grand parents he ushered into the family circle. Some thirty-five years ago the good Doctor visited one home in Sharon where he was responsible (and still has to answer) for the birth of one Harvey B. Legge, for some time past your Assistant Recorder and the Editor of this magazine.

The Doctor points with pride to the fact that he still numbers among his patients some whom he attended when he began his practice 60 years ago.

Noble Faxon has served in both branches of the Legislature and has been a delegate to County, State, and National conventions of the Republican Party.

On the evening following his birthday he was a special guest of honor at the annual Dinner of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts at the Copley Plaza Hotel.

Noble Faxon is a Knight Templar and, of course, a member of Aleppo Temple which he joined in 1892.

## St. Omer Commandery Installs Five Nobles

At the annual convocation of St. Omer Commandery, October 21, five members of the patrol were installed into elective and appointive offices. Em. Sir Henry J. Foster assumed the station of Commander for the second year. Russell Lynn was installed Junior Warden, Bill Sharpe Standard Bearer, Artemas Wood, 3rd Guard, George Weeks, Master of Ceremonies and Alec Campbell, Assistant Master of Ceremonies. The installing officer was Em. "Barney" Hull, the 86 year old Past Commander of St. Omer, and Em. Charles W. Pike served as Deputy Grand Marshal.

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KNOW  
that...



FROM OUR OWN PAGES

WE were looking for a place to drive a few nights ago — we thought we'd try one we'd never been to before so we drove to Point of Pines at Revere to the General Edwards Inn, which we'd seen advertised in the News. Here's a tip — you'll go a long way to find better drinks than they serve in the swanky Cocktail Bar in the "Ship's Cabin" or a better meal than they provide at a reasonable price.

IT is possible you put on too many pounds. Does the "Tux" fit too tight? They tell us no better, more up-to-date Tuxedos can be rented than the new ones now for rent by Read & White.

TO have "Seiler's" take charge of your refreshment problems is to be able to forget them. The knowledge that everything will be expertly handled and just as you desire will make entertaining a greater pleasure.

BAILEY'S is making a special price for cleansing Shrine Uniforms. Now is the time to get all slicked up. Send it along with the suit or top coat before you forget it. You may thank us later for this reminder.

NOBLES of all political faiths will welcome Charlie Traiser's "return to the gold standard" with the latest addition to the Harvard Cigar family. We've smoked some of his new "Good as Gold" cigars, tripled wrapped with their outer covering of gleaming gold and found them good. It may be that "all is not gold that glitters" but we'd suggest that if fellow smokers try these new Harvard cigars there will be many votes for the new Traiser "gold standard".

UNDER the heading "what the well-dressed Noble should wear" we'd suggest that a nice new Fez would enhance any Noble's sartorial splendor — there's time to get one from the Basch Cap Co. before the next ceremonial.

A CHANGE is as good as a rest. How about taking HER to the Empire Grill for one of those special "Sea Food" dinners. You'll find your favorite liquors there, too.

WORCESTER, we understand, might well be called the "envelope city", as that's the place where the modern envelope industry developed. The Sheppard Envelope Co. has been advertising in the News since we started and we hope that our readers will think of Sheppard when they think of envelopes!

THE budget may well be stretched to include both the new suit and overcoat you have been trying to choose between. Merrimac Mills sells direct to you at the mill in Methuen. There you will find both for the price normally paid for one.



# Some Illusions Of The Hour

**Col. Charles R. Gow**

**To Address The Nobility At The  
Luncheon November 26th**

**Boston's Famous Engineer and Exponent of  
Straight Thinking to discuss a subject of vital  
interest to every citizen**

MEMBERS of Aleppo and their friends are to be privileged to listen to an outstanding citizen of our country at the November luncheon. Boston is proud of Colonel Gow. While born in Medford, for many years he has been a leader in the intellectual, business, military and civic life of the Metropolitan district, serving the State and Nation in many important capacities.

A lecturer and Professor at the Institute of Technology, one of the Nation's foremost construction engineers, he has been associated with all of the great construction projects in this vicinity, his crowning achievement is to be found in Boulder Dam.

A citizen-soldier who earned his title in the National Guard of Massachusetts and who served with distinction in the Spanish-American and World War. A Postmaster of Metropolitan Boston, member of some of the most important national commissions having to do with projects of great national consequence.

Colonel Gow's discourse under this broad title pertains to an analysis of some of the absurdities of current economic thinking, particularly with reference to the New Deal experiments. It is intended to constitute an appeal for sane thinking in connection with our political, social and economic problems. It is not intended to be in the nature of a political discussion except to the extent that many of the criticisms contained may possibly reflect severely on the policies of the existing administration in Washington. Otherwise it is very much of a general and impersonal character. Those who are not yet convinced that you can eat your cake and still have it and that those who dance do not necessarily have to pay the piper will find much in it to sustain them.

Every member of Aleppo should make a note of this date, luncheon at the Copley Plaza, 12,30, Tuesday, November 26.

Members who bring an interested friend will certainly earn their everlasting gratitude.

**Address of the Rev. Dr. Crawford  
O. Smith at October Luncheon  
Enlightening and Enjoyable.**

EVERY Noble who attended the October luncheon went away feeling that he had spent a most profitable hour in listening to the illuminating address by Reverend Crawford O. Smith of Lexington.

Under the title "What the Nations of the World are Doing", Dr. Smith created a word picture of Ethiopia, its wealth and great colonizing possibilities. He built up as a background for his address the covetous eyes with which the nations of Europe have long regarded the rich but weak country. He traced the diplomatic conversations which had been exchanged long before the Great War. He referred to the negotiations which caused Italy to change its affiliation and cast its lot with the Allies and to the hopes which it engendered as to the participation which Italy would be allowed in the spoils of the War.

He referred to the intense disappointment and bitterness when Italy was not allowed to possess those things and places which she felt were legitimately hers, and the reasons therefor. He paid glowing tribute to Mussolini and the great changes that he had wrought in the economic conditions of his country and the new morale of the Italian people, but condemned Italy's attitude very strongly in the present crisis.

Dr. Smith's insight into the League of Nations, the World Court, and their relation to the present crisis was most enlightening.

Dr. Smith is a forceful, dynamic speaker, with a diction that permits him to express his views with great clarity. He has a knowledge of his subject not only in its historical but immediate phase that impresses every listener. Many said they would have listened to him to any extent he cared to go and regretted that the stated limits of the meeting had arrived so quickly.



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By Noble J. Arthur McCoy, Assoc. Editor.

WEEKLY drills were resumed October 18th, with a better-than-average attendance. Commander Fred Bolton gave one of his brief inspirational talks and our instructor, Col. Cormerais tested the alertness of the men by introducing the army game, "O'Grady says."

But few changes in the personnel are noted. The 5th platoon welcomes a new member, Noble John W. Woodworth, and the 2nd platoon has two resignations, in Nobles Colman and Bullins. Corp. Philip B. King of the 3rd platoon has transferred to the mounted unit.

Noble Frank W. Morrill, of the staff, is being widely congratulated upon his election to the office of Treasurer of Aleppo Temple. We cannot recall that a member of the Patrol was ever before elected a member of the Divan, with the exception of our Past Potentate, Fred Bolton. Noble Morrill is eminently fitted for the office of treasurer, having served in a voluntary capacity as representative of the Potentate, during most of the administrations for the past twelve years. He has always exhibited a sincere and intelligent interest in the welfare of the Temple and has demonstrated it in a practical way.

During the summer recess, Noble Roy Woodworth, of the 1st Platoon, was married to Miss Louise Turner (August 3). After a wedding trip through the Provinces, they made their home in East Acton. Felicitations and best wishes are extended to the happy couple.

We are happy to announce a very short sick list. Alec Campbell, that likable little Scotsman in the 4th Platoon, is absent with an injured foot. "Uncle George" Abbot, of the 5th, is also suffering foot trouble. It is only by miraculous good fortune that we have Sam Barron, of the Colors, still with us. Noble Barron had a collision with a street car, suffered injuries to his arm, and was confined the past four weeks to the hospital and his home. We are thankful that his accident was not more serious.

We note that Lt. Walter Benson is driving a new big Buick and learn that that star salesman, Charlie Hildred sells the big fellows as well as the little ones.

At the Fall Field Day of the "Ancients" October 5-10, our 'Jus' Duncan, the Commander, was accompanied by three other members of the patrol, Fred Rogers, Harry Cormerais, and Fred Marshal. It was one of the most enjoyable tours of the Honorable Body.

#### IN MEMORIAM

MAJOR JOHN A. RAY  
Departed October 1, 1935

"So calm, so constant was his rectitude,  
That by his loss we know his worth  
And feel how true a man has walked  
with us on earth."

## Black Camel Visits Major of Arab Patrol

Noble John A. Ray, Captain of  
Somerville Police, Dies There

NOBLE Captain John A. Ray, for more than 40 years a member of the Somerville police department, died Oct. 1st at Somerville Hospital.

"Jack" Ray, as he was known to his friends and to Nobles of Aleppo, was a native of Somerville and would have



NOBLE JOHN A. RAY  
Major, Arab Patrol of Aleppo Temple

observed his 63rd birthday Nov. 8. He was appointed a reserve patrolman in May, 1895, became a regular patrolman in March, 1900, advanced to sergeant in November, 1906, to lieutenant in September, 1914, and captain in December, 1927. He was a past president of the Police Relief Association of Somerville.

Well-known in Masonic circles, he was a member of Soley Lodge of Somerville, Somerville Royal Arch chapter, Coeur de Lion Commandery, Knights Templar of Charlestown and Aleppo Temple. He joined the Arab Patrol in 1907 and later served for many years on the staff as Captain. In 1934 he was appointed Major, Commanding the Patrol.

Funeral services were held at the home of his brother, Robert S. Ray, 229 Highland Avenue, and the First Methodist Episcopal Church October 3rd. The Rev. Carl C. Clarke, pastor, officiated and burial was in Oak Grove cemetery, Medford.

Sixty members of the Somerville Police Force acted as escorts.

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# Shriner Is Now Head of Metropolitan Police Force

CAPTAIN Edward M. Woods, executive officer of the Metropolitan police, was advanced to Superintendent at a recent meeting of the Metropolitan District Commission. Supt. Woods has been in command of the department since 1929. The original holder of the office of superintendent was Herbert W. West, who died in 1922. Since then the man who did the work held only the berth of captain.



**NOBLE EDWARD M. WOODS**  
Superintendent of Metropolitan Police

Noble Woods is married and lives on the Middlesex Fells reservation in Stoneham. He joined the Metropolitan force in 1900, was advanced to sergeant in 1914, lieutenant in 1922 and a captain in 1925.

The department, the public, and scores of the friends of Captain Woods in this city are delighted at the action of the Commission. The captain, besides being executive officer, has been in charge of the Middlesex Fells Division. Now, however, another captain has been added to the force, so that Superintendent Woods can devote his entire time to executive work.

The position is by far the most important one of its kind in New England, for not only is its incumbent the head of what is today without doubt the finest police department in this section of the country, but he is at the head of the six great reservations that come under the care of the Metropolitan District Commission.

The Metropolitan force has been singularly free from political interference. The Policy of non-interference by the commissioners was laid down by its first chairman, Hon. James A. Bailey of Arlington, when the Commission was organized when its initial members were named by Calvin Coolidge.

Since 1910 Superintendent Woods has advanced steadily through all the grades, the result of hard, capable work, and of always passing a very high civil service examination. A fine specimen physically, "Cap" Woods, which it seems so natural

to call him, is a police official of rare tact and good judgment. A wonderful student of human nature, he knows how to get along with his men and the public.

His business acumen is far above the average, for he has been at the head of the Metropolitan Police Relief Association for many years and has kept its financial standing without a flaw in its investments and far ahead of most organizations of its kind. The new superintendent will go on in the even tenor of his way, maintaining the high standard of his splendid force and constantly improving it, but the recognition of his fine executive capacity is bound to encourage him for even better work.

Before entering the police force he was employed in the Boston Rubber Shoe Co.

Noble Woods is a member of Wyoming Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Melrose; Waverly Royal Arch Chapter, R. A. M., of Melrose; Hugh de Payne's Commandery No. 20 of Melrose and Aleppo Temple.

He was born in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, on October 28, 1874.

## De Molay Commandery Installs Noble Priest

Dr. and Noble Leslie D. Priest of Allston was installed as commander of the De Molay Commandery of the Masonic order of Knights Templar at a general induction of lodge officers October 23rd, at the Masonic Temple in Boston. The ceremony was conducted by Fremont S. Eggleston, retiring Commander, and Ernest Dudley Chase, Deputy Grand Warden.

Dr. Priest, who was graduated from Tufts Medical School in 1908 as class president, is a member of St. John's Lodge of A. F. and A. M., the second oldest lodge in America; of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter and Aleppo Temple.

Other officers installed that night included the following Nobles: Dr. Charles C. Cole, Generalissimo; Howard A. Gray, Captain-General; Harry P. Kenison, Treasurer; Charles H. Ramsey, Trustee for three years; and Alexander W. Clark, Warden.

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## SCOTTISH RITE NEWS

By Noble Howard Flanders  
Associate Editor

**T**HE Fall assembly of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Boston was concluded at the rendezvous of Massachusetts Consistory Friday, October 25th, at which time the 20th degree, Master ad Vitam was conferred in full form upon the candidates under the direction of the Master of Ceremonies, Norman K. Wiggin, 32°.

The Consistory Choir and the Consistory Orchestra entertained the members with a concert from six to seven o'clock.

At the opening of the meeting Dr. Frederick W. Hamilton, Deputy for Massachusetts spoke briefly on the 75th anniversary of Massachusetts Consistory.

The Scottish Rite meetings will resume again on December 6th at which time the Lodge of Perfection will work the 12th degree, and will close their meetings for the current year on Monday, December 30th with the Consistory working the 30th degree.

Applications for membership should be in the Secretary's office on or before November 15th to be acted upon at the December meeting. Information regarding membership may be received from Frank B. Lawler, Acting Secretary, 204 Masonic Temple, Boston.

### FOURTH PLATOON CELEBRATES

**T**HERE is something synonymous about the Fourth of July and the Fourth Platoon. The mention of either seems to mean a celebration.

Some member of the Fourth platoon of the Aleppo Temple Arab Patrol, which

is known from coast to coast for its snappy drilling congregated at Major Harding's summer home at Hingham the first of August and conceived the happy idea that this outfit should go "clubbing". So they took upon themselves the "duty" of opening up for the season some of the smartest night clubs in the Hub.

The boys doffed their Arab uniforms and fezzes for their tuxedos, and led by their congenial Major Charlie Harding, (there's something about a Major), they proceeded to open the season at Levaggi's. The following week saw them opening the Cascades on the roof of the Bradford Hotel. Not content with this they journeyed to the Statler Hotel for the grand opening of the Salle Moderne on October 10th.

These Fourth platoon boys and their ladies take to night clubs like ducks take to water and according to private Chapman, who assisted Major Harding, the dancing is good training to condition one for the coming Fall drills of the Patrol.



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### "THE THREE KINGS"

By Noble Charles C. Fearing, Assoc. Editor

**M**OST of the time of the band recently has been devoted to making preparations for the Hallowe'en Party and Barn Dance, which takes place on Thursday, October 31. The indications are that this will be one of the big events of the season. In this connection we would say that we got a call-down from Noble George Wood, who claimed we had the date wrong in our article last month. We apologized profusely for the error, but now we're mad clear through, because on checking up we find we did not make a mistake, (according to the editor-in-chief) so George was all wet and we take back that apology.

We are delighted to learn that our smiling Leader and his band has gone on the air again with a program for the "Clear-coalers" Sunday afternoons beginning October 20. We note one of the numbers was a cornet trio "The Three Kings" by Walter and the two boys. And that reminds us that at the rehearsal October 14 Walter had the Quartermaster pass the cigars and announced that he had just become a happy grandfather. Imagine Walter filling the roll of "grandpop" at his age. The new arrival is a girl however, so there's no chance of having another trumpet player in the Smith family. If it had been a boy we'll bet in a year or two Walter would be putting on a quartet — "The Four Kings" instead of three, and that would be hard to beat. Congratulations to Stewart, the happy father.

Noble Herb Holm, one of our drummers, has just been elected president of the N. E. Amateur Athletic Association, succeeding Wm. P. Kennedy who held that position for eleven years. Herb's election to the presidency is a well deserved recognition of his long and faithful service in that organization. The band seems to be favored lately in this respect as the author had the honor of being elected president of the A.O.U.W. Congress at Fargo, N. D. the first of October.

Noble Frank Warren, accompanied by Mrs. Warren, is spending his vacation at Wakefield, N. H. We do not know whether Frank is putting in his time fishing, hunting or just loafing. We gamble however, that he is hob-nobbing with the constabulary in that neck of the woods.

And speaking of "cops" we understand that Noble Carl Perry attended the Legion convention at St. Louis, Mo., recently. No doubt Carl was tooting a sax in some band.

At the rehearsal on October 14 it gave us a shock to see Noble Arthur Fleming getting ready his display of Christmas cards. We haven't recovered from the Fourth of July yet, and here Arthur is reminding us that it is almost time to play Santa Claus. No wonder the poet mourned — "Turn backward, turn backward Oh time, in thy flight." Gosh! We can second that motion and have it carried unanimously.

## Drum Corps Entertains at Shrine Hospital

**W**E are indebted to Noble Bob Persons, a member of Aleppo Shrine Band, for an interesting account of the activities of the Fife and Drum Corps of Malden Post No. 169, A. L. at the National Convention of the American Legion in St. Louis in October.

Several of our Nobles were members of the Post Drum Corps of which Noble Person is drum instructor.

The following excerpt from the diary of Drum Major Ernest W. Place of the Malden Drum Corps describes the entertainment the Corps provided at the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children in St. Louis.

"Monday — Went to the Shrine Hospital today with our entire drum corps of 60 men to spread some good cheer in our humble way to those who are not lucky enough to see the big Legion parade on Tuesday. We had contacted the hospital authorities before leaving Malden, telling them of our desire to play for the children and asked that they bring all the children out into the yard or balconies etc. We arrived in two busses at 2.00 P.M. and were told to go to the rear of the buildings, that everything was in readiness.

### Impressive Picture

What a sight as we drove in. A picture I will never forget. We found the little patients sitting in chairs, lying in beds and wheel chairs, sitting in the laps of the nurses, some on crutches, some bandaged from head to foot, some in splints, their arms and legs extending in all directions. And they all seemed to be smiling and in good spirits. For a few seconds we were spellbound. I say "we" because I know the boys by the expressions on their faces were thinking in the same channel as I was.

Finally we found ourselves. I blew my whistle for a company front. While standing in front of the boys, before I gave the order for a right dress, I noticed a few beds over to my right that would be out of sight for our little show. I called for a few volunteers and in a few minutes the boys had lifted the beds over a stone wall and placed them in a position as good as a box seat at Roxy's Theatre. I blew my whistle again and in a jiffy we were under way going through our maneuvers and music in the same program that we did at the Walsh Stadium in St. Louis that brought us the honor of 7th place and the 3rd best playing outfit in the country.

### A Thrill for Legionnaires

Well — did the kiddies enjoy it — they hollered, clapped, whistled — and did we get a kick out of it — a thrill I'll never forget. After our little show we passed out some lollypops that the boys had purchased in Malden for the occasion — three to each kiddy. Something happened — a different feeling — was it gratitude? The Supt. broke down and had to leave us for a spell, some of the boys broke down, tears behind their smiles. At the time I was taking moving pictures of the kiddies and calling to them to wave their hands and smile and I'm telling you behind that

camera I was wiping a few tears from my own eyes. It is a day that will long be remembered by the boys and myself.

Little did I know that when I asked Bob Persons, our drum instructor in Malden, if he thought the kiddies would care for our sort of a program and he picked me up on it, that it was going to be as inspiring to us as it was to them. It was our intention to go there in our busses, put on our fifteen minute program and return to our quarters — well the fifteen minutes lasted just two hours — and one of the happiest two hours I have had in my life and I know I can say the same for the boys."

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## Noble George H. Hudson Mourned By Shriners

### Prominent Member of Aleppo

**N**OBLE George H. Hudson, a trustee of the permanent fund of Aleppo Temple, died at his home in Medford on September 29th at the age of 70. He was born in Boston, the son of Thomas and Hannah (Boyle) Hudson and was educated in the Boston schools.

Early in life he became engaged in the carriage business, and for many years was manager of the French Carriage Company of Boston. During recent years he has been manager of the Walker Vehicle Co.

Noble Hudson was prominent in the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company



NOBLE GEORGE H. HUDSON

having been Captain in 1922 and Chairman of the Finance Committee at the time of his death.

He was a Trustee of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association.

In 1895 he was raised in Bethany Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Merrimac, Mass. He was a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies of Boston and of Boston Court No. 103, Royal Order of Jesters.

For many years one of our most prominent members, Noble Hudson, at the time of his death was a Trustee of the Permanent Fund of Aleppo Temple, having been elected to that position in 1931 to succeed the late Noble Charles B. Burleigh.

### Memorial Service

**A** MEMORIAL service for the late Captain George H. Hudson was held in the Ancients Armory, Faneuil Hall Monday evening October 21st by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company. Noble Hudson who was a Trustee of the Permanent Fund of Aleppo Temple was Captain of the Ancients in 1922 and was chairman of the Finance Committee of the Ancients at the time of his death. The services were presided over by Captain and Noble Justin A. Duncan.

Rev. K. K. Haddaway, pastor of the Broadway-Winter Hill Congregational Church, Somerville, of which Noble Hudson was a member, officiated.

The Aleppo Temple Band led by Noble Walter Smith began the exercises by playing the "Ancients March". The adjutant's record was read by Noble Col. H. D. Cormerais. The Aleppo Temple

Chanters of 50 voices sang "A Mighty Fortress." A poem written on Capt. Hudson was read by Leon E. Dadmun. The band then played "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

The eulogy was given by Noble Capt. Fred E. Bolton. The Chanters then sang "The Vacant Chair," following which resolutions were read by Capt. James D. Coady. There was a drum patrol and a trumpet obligato with the Chanters joining in. Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Raymond Lang, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, Newtonville, and chaplain of the 1st Corps Cadets, and a chaplain of Boston Commandery.

The services were unusually impressive and a splendid tribute to the memory of one who had been conspicuous in his services to the Company.

### ALEPPO MOUNTED PATROL REPEATS INVITATION

Several Nobles have enjoyed the offer extended last month by the Mounted Patrol. For the benefit of others who may be interested we repeat:

"Members of Aleppo Temple who enjoy horseback riding may find pleasant exercise and recreation in trying out for a position in the Mounted Patrol. An invitation is extended to any Noble, especially if he has had military experience to ride with the Patrol at the Commonwealth Armory. Regular attendance at the drills every Friday evening at six o'clock is the only requirement.

Any Shriner may ride if he reports at the Armory at 5.45 P.M. After a few weeks, if he likes it and proves acceptable, he may become a member of the Patrol."

### TIN FOIL INFORMATION

We are informed that a report has been circulated that Aleppo Temple doesn't wish to receive any more tin foil for the Springfield Crippled Children's Hospital.

This is decidedly not true because we not only want the tin foil but will also see that either the tin foil or the proceeds from the sale of the same go to the Springfield Hospital, so please bring it into our office, 97 Huntington Avenue.

It is a fact that at times the market price of tin foil has been so low that it would not pay for the carting and remelting of the metal but when that situation prevails it is our intention to store the foil until there is a better market price.


"Every little bit added to what you've got makes a little bit more", or as the Scotch would say "Many a mickle makes a muckle".

A suggestion has before been made that some store in each of the outlying suburbs be a central receiving point for collections of tin foil.

If any of our Nobles care to give us the name and address of their store in the suburbs or outlying districts of our jurisdiction, we shall be glad to publish this information for Nobles in that section.

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By Noble Andrew O. B. Stenberg,  
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### "Nuthin"

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Your correspondent was particularly pleased, while attending the Monthly Shrine Luncheon on Tuesday, October 22nd, to observe so many members of the Degree Staff present. It must be that they appreciate what such an affair has to offer both in entertainment and fellowship.

We noticed particularly that our Director, Noble Roy A. Faye, P.P., with the able assistance of our Band-Leader, Noble Walter Smith, and Noble Charles Pike, was very active in calling out the names of the winners and distributing the exceedingly large list of beautiful prizes donated by generous members of our organization. Our Editor and Assistant Recorder Noble Harvey Leggee functioned as custodian as is his wont. We were happy to see that Noble Streever of the Degree Staff was fortunate in winning a nice prize, while at the same time donating a very excellent prize in the form of a bottle of ancient and untampered-with sherry wine.

With all due respect to the excellent speakers, who have been selected in the past to address us, I feel that I must mention the speaker of the occasion, Rev. Crawford O. Smith, D.D. He held the attention of the Nobility in masterful manner. Speaking on the subject of international affairs, he dealt interestingly with an interesting topic.

Presumably, there are many of our Nobles who could well afford and who would be happy to attend the Shrine Luncheon each month but who, for some good reasons, are unable to attend, but it seems too bad that there are vacant seats when there must be many members who could well afford and would surely enjoy the hour and a half of companionship with one another.

The delicious, well prepared and excellently served luncheon is alone well worth the price. The opportunity to meet and fraternize with one another promotes a feeling of satisfaction in your identity as a Shriner and at the same time helps to exemplify the spirit that the Shrine and Aleppo Temple are striving for.

With the forth-coming Fall Ceremonial, which has been announced for Wednesday November 27th, just around the corner, Noble Arnold B. Christiansen, enthusiastic and hustling member of the Engineering Staff, contributes the following:

"Let us look into the workshop of Aleppo Temple's Engineering Department which is a division of the Degree Staff. Here we find many types of machines including a circular saw, a band saw, a planer, a lathe, a grinder and an air compressor. There is also a good supply of lumber as well as iron bolts and screws.

In this workshop is a group of Nobles who spend every Friday evening throughout the year fashioning new, and re-conditioning old, stunts for the amusement of the Nobility. These Nobles are all skilled mechanics. Among the number are found electricians, machinists, carpenters, and painters.

The newest invention of this department is a new type of "Hot Sands" control. The control cabinet resembles that of a large radio set with a complicated group of switches, lights, gauges, dials, and knobs. This new type control is capable of regulating the volume and pulsation of heat upon the sands or any part thereof. This makes it possible to vary the heat of the sands.

The interior mechanism is being kept a secret since no other Temple in the world has a control of this type. It is strictly a contribution of Aleppo Temple's Engineering Department and was made by the Nobles of this Department under the direction of Arthur Hartshorn, Lieutenant in charge of the Department.

The new location of the control cabinet, which is portable, is in the first balcony. This enables the operator to enjoy an unobstructed view of the floor. The wiring incidental to the control has been permanently installed and as it covers the complete hall floor, it makes quick and positive action possible at all times."

Mention should be made of the fact that at the regular weekly meeting of the Degree Staff on Friday, October 11th, Noble Mitchell Hambro, who has been working on the plan for some time, succeeded in organizing, among members of the Staff, what is to be known as the "Seattle or Bust Committee." Nominations and election of officers were completed and the following officers were chosen, Noble Mitchell Hambro, Chairman, Noble J. Howard Macauley, Secretary, Noble Ray Howe, Treasurer, Noble Clarence Perkins, in charge of programs and arrangements, and Noble Stenberg, Publicity. Noble Hambro then appointed two members as his direct assistants, and Noble Perkins organized a Committee of four members to assist him.

The committee have held three meetings which proved to be very active and interesting. Incidentally, we had a good time and something to eat, and a lot of work accomplished.

You will hear more about "Seattle or Bust". It will be unavoidable that the members of the Degree Staff will depend somewhat upon the support of the entire Nobility of Aleppo Temple. We feel confident that, as in the past, this will be cheerfully given. It is clearly understood, of course, by all of the members of the staff that the campaign for funds must be made to conform with the rulings of the Illustrious Potentate. Everything will be planned with the idea of securing his immediate approval.

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The initiation fee is ten dollars and the annual dues are three dollars.

They are organized for the purpose of assisting the Nobles in their charitable work by sewing for the Crippled Children's Hospitals and helping with follow-up work for patients discharged from the hospitals.

Our local Daughters of the Nile are called Oppela Temple (Aleppo spelled backwards). Mrs. Winfield L. Nourse is Queen and they have fifty members. Their ritual is Egyptian in theme. They have a meeting and ceremonial the third Wednesday afternoon of each month at their permanent address, which is Cotillion Hall, 97 Huntington Avenue, Aleppo Temple Headquarters, Boston.

The first Thursday of each month they have been meeting for group sewing at the home of Mrs. Maud Dougan in Cambridge.

In the six years of their existence they have contributed over twenty six hundred articles to the Crippled Children's Hospital and their report for the year May, 1934 to May, 1935, reads as follows: "For Hospital in Springfield, Mass., — 30 bed spreads, 11 nightingales, 14 glove cases, 21 surgeons' coats, 21 frame sheets, 7 breast binders, purchased 25 yards of Terry Cloth which is being made up into bibs. At Christmas time sent crates of oranges and maple syrup to the Hospital, also a box of 44 toys, books and games.

Gave money for a brace for one girl, purchased shoes and clothing for two boys and one girl, also furnished milk and fruit for these discharged patients of Springfield Hospital."

On Wednesday evening at 6.30 P.M., November 20th, Oppela Temple will have a dinner and dance at Hotel Brunswick. Tickets \$1.50 each.

Gentlemen are included in this party and all Aleppo Nobles and their wives are cordially invited to participate, to meet the Supreme Queen, Durella Taylor, of Chicago, on her visitation here, and to hear about the work the Daughters are doing all over our own country, Canada and Honolulu.

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## Final Card Party To Be Held Dec. 2nd

The last of a series of Card Parties given by the ladies' committee of Aleppo Temple, in aid of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, will be held in Talbot Hall, Mechanics Building, on Monday afternoon, December 2nd at 2.00 o'clock.

A most cordial invitation is extended to all ladies of the Temple and their friends to attend. The subscription is only fifty cents per person. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the committee or the chairman.

Donations of candy, cigarettes or other articles to be used for door and table prizes will be gratefully received and duly acknowledged.

It is the hope of the committee that the wives, mothers and sisters of Aleppo members will wish to have some part in what is most appropriately termed the World's Greatest Philanthropy.

Mrs. Reginald Vernet, of Medfield, will hold a bridge party in her home at 396 Main Street in that town on Saturday evening, November 16th. The proceeds will be given to the Shrine Bridge Committee to assist in the work being done for the crippled children. People in that vicinity are invited to attend.

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## NOBLE HEADS LEGION POST

At the regular meeting of Medford Post No. 45, American Legion, held on Friday, October 18th, Noble Lester Maintain, Lieutenant of the Degree Staff, of Aleppo was elected Commander for the ensuing term. Such a hard working fellow as Noble Maintain naturally must be appreciated by others. We congratulate Medford Post No. 45 on its selection and we also wish Noble Maintain the best of luck in his newly acquired honor and responsibility.

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## ALEPPO BOWLERS

By Noble Bert Elliott — Pinch hitting for "Ken".

ON Thursday evening, October 24th another bowling match was staged on the alleys at the Boston City Club. Many of the bowlers enjoyed an excellent dinner after which teams were formed, and the fun started at 8 P.M.

We were glad to find a few more new members had come; a start has been made, and there is room for several more teams and if you Nobles can spare the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, you will find it worth while to come and enjoy the friendly rivalry, that is bound to show itself, when a crowd of good Nobles get together.

We missed our good friend Noble "Ken" Campbell but he was necessarily out of the state. We understand there are some real bowlers in the Uniformed Units and it would certainly be fine to have at least one team from each one. Therefore, if interested, make a note of the next match which is Thursday evening November 14th and plan to be on hand. Bowling starts at 8 o'clock.

### SCORES OCT. 24TH.

#### TEAM 1

WHITWORTH SR...	90	105	86	281
JUTH K. A.....	94	87	105	286
ROGERS.....	76	82	80	238
BARTLETT.....	107	82	85	274
GRIEG (CAPT.)...	103	105	99	307

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#### TEAM 2

JUTH J.C.....	115	78	77	270
PRIEST.....	97	93	89	279
GRUTCHFIELD....	98	96	87	281
HOWLAND.....	87	94	87	268
ELLIOTT (CAPT.)..	104	99	83	286

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#### TEAM 3

SNOOK.....	97	95	88	280
HAAK.....	128	108	98	334
WAITE.....	103	101	91	295
EASTMAN.....	68	68	69	205
PETTET (CAPT.)..	95	99	87	281

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#### TEAM 4

SEELEY.....	86	84	92	262
GORDON.....	101	110	92	303
WHITWORTH JR...	95	96	82	273
WHITTEMORE....	100	113	89	302
PARKER (CAPT.)..	79	90	92	261

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## WHAT A MISTAKE!

by Dahl



Cartoon from Boston Herald

### Did You Read This In Your Daily Newspaper?

#### Associated Press Dispatches Inform World of Terrible Mistake in Orient

#### U. S. SHRINERS MISTAKEN FOR MOSLEMS IN CHINA Error Righted in Time to Halt Elaborate Welcome

PEIPING, Oct. 16 (AP)—Fifty San Francisco Shriners touring the orient narrowly missed being welcomed as Mohammedan pilgrims today by Chinese moslems, who mistook the shrine emblems as evidence of adherence to the Islamic faith.

Chinese government authorities notified the Peiping municipality: "A large group of American Moslems is on the way to Peiping." And so feverish preparations were begun in many mosques in North China to provide an elaborate Mohammedan welcome for the supposed San Francisco pilgrims en route to Mecca.

Masons who live here, however, prevented an embarrassing situation by explaining the true status of the visitors.

#### How Have The Mighty Fallen

Hat Check Girl: Aren't you going to give me a tip? Why, the champion tightwad of this town gives me a dime.

Irascible Old Gentleman: He does? Well, gaze upon the new champion.

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#### Fish Story

Country Boy: Naw, I ain't selling this trout, mister. You ain't got enough money to buy it.

City Angler: At least, son, let me measure it, so I can truthfully tell of the size of the one that got away.

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#### QUINCY BLUE LODGE ACTIVE

RURAL Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Quincy, the oldest in the 26th district, has had a record of over 200 attendance at every meeting the past year. This included the regular monthly session and at least two specials each month. Worshipful Raymond C. Warmington is the retiring Master. Noble Roy Prout is Secretary. One outstanding record is that of the service committee of 50 at which 48 showed up for the first meeting and the other two phoned they would be out of the city. This record has been kept up. Each month various nationalities have put on an entertainment. First the Finnish brothers with a group of singers, each a graduate of the New England Conservatory and several radio stars. This set a pace for the Scotch, English, Swedish, Italian and Jewish. During the year every member has been contacted as well as Masons living in the city who have been invited to the meetings. In October they had 500 for the Jewish night and nearly 400 at dinner.

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By Noble Frank Lindsay Rand,  
Associate Editor

A YEAR ago, when plans for the organization of The Chanters were being formulated, a forward-looking Noble hazarded the opinion that if the organization developed as a musical unit, the members would soon be crying for a respite from the many engagements that would be thrust upon them. It appears that that time is almost here. True, there has been no plea for a let-up from any of the enthused members of the Chanters, but engagements are coming in so fast that it is almost impossible to take care of them.

With a couple of public appearances in the background, The Chanters have a fairly full calendar for the winter months. October 21 at Faneuil Hall and October 31 at the Shrine Hallowe'en Party are already in the background — and both of them were successful engagements.

On November 3 the songsters, 100 odd strong, will raise their voices before the convention of the New England Advertising Men's Association at the Hotel Statler. And, of course, they will assist at the ceremonial on November 27.

In mid-November, the 19th to be exact, The Chanters will present their own Surprise Party, with prizes, refreshments, dancing 'n' everything at Aleppo Headquarters. Bill Bragg will be very pleased to see that tickets — at 40c each — are supplied to all who want to see just how grand a party it will be.

Among the future engagements of The Chanters will be a concert at Needham High School on December 6. Several other appearances are in prospect or have been definitely arranged.

Dr. Ames, whose voice soars to stratospheric heights in the tenor section, has been appointed to staff membership at Massachusetts Memorial Hospital and is also taking care of the teeth of patients at the Hull St. Medical Mission. Medical and dental leaders aver that these appointments are quite a tribute to "Doc" Ames' professional ability. To the many plaudits he has received we add our humble praise.

A new member of The Chanters, Ernst Schultz, discovered that John Kaufmann is an Aleppo Chanter. Ernst and John sang together in a chorus in 1902; and they meet again in our group of singers. Thus we not only create good fellowship; we renew old friendships as well.

Christmas doings are being planned by The Chanters. The nature of the "doings" has not yet been revealed by the committee in charge, but the assurance has come forth that there will be something charitable and beneficent to add a jot to the generous spirit of Christmastide. There may possibly be a trip out to Springfield to visit the Tiny Tims in the Hospital.

## Past Grand Master Dies Suddenly

Noble Curtis Chipman, Boston banker and Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, fell dead on the morning of October 10th in his home, 986 Memorial Drive, Cambridge. He was 58 years of age.

Mr. Chipman was born in Boston, Nov. 1, 1876. He was an official in the First National Bank in Boston, with which, and its affiliated banks, he had been connected for 39 years. He was also assistant treasurer of the Free Hospital for Women in Brookline.

His Masonic career was very distinguished. He became a member of Eliot Lodge of Jamaica Plain in 1904, and was a charter member of Loyalty Lodge, in the same district, in 1920. He was master of Loyalty Lodge in 1923-24, and in 1925



NOBLE CURTIS CHIPMAN  
Past Grand Master

was appointed District Deputy Grand Master.

After holding several subordinate offices in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts he was chosen Grand High Priest and served in that position in 1921-24. He was a member of Boston Council, Royal and Select Masters; Past Commander of St. Bernard Commandery, Knights Templar and member of the Scottish Rite Bodies in Boston.

He was a past head of Mt. Olivet Chapter, Rose Croix and a member of Massachusetts Consistory, 32d degree, in which he took active part.

He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts 1932-1934, serving a three-year term.

Two years ago Noble Chipman was

elected to honorary membership in the Grand Lodge of Scotland. There are but five other honorary members of this body, two of them members of the royal family of Great Britain.

The honorary members of the Grand Lodge of Scotland include the Duke of Connaught, grand master of England; the Prince of Wales, Lord Amptill, Provincial Grand Master of England, and Lord Donoughmore, Grand Master of Ireland.

Noble Chipman was much interested in the patriotic-historical societies, being a member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, a member of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America, and a member and past president of the Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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## ARABIA THE MYSTERIOUS

### Its Arabs of the Desert and Its Holy Cities

(Continued from Page 4)

#### Camp Site Dependent on Water

THE camp is always pitched by a well. Water is scarce in Arabia, and the site of a well is usually marked by cairns of stones erected on the surrounding heights, so that the weary traveler may know that water is at hand and he is near his goal. The camels are watered once in every four or five days, but they can exist much longer in cases of dire necessity. The loading and unloading are done by the women, while the men watch the process and drink coffee.

As an Arab caravan leaves its camp in the morning it is a sight that reminds us of the stories of biblical days. Even as the patriarchs and their followers marched across the desert, so in our time do the Arab tribes move across the deserts, their banner leading them on by day and a lamp at night.

#### Unchanging Ways of the Desert

THUS do the ways of the desert remain the same, for time has not changed the order of things that was in vogue three thousand years ago. Not only in this respect is the life unchanged, for even the drawing of water at the wells is done the same way as in the days of Abraham. A rope is attached to the leather bucket, which is lowered and drawn up by a camel descending and ascending an inclined plane. It is picturesque, but laborious, yet the Arab will not change it for any more modern and rapid system, for it is sanctified by time and a recognized institution of pastoral life.

Among the wild life of Arabia is the ostrich, but it is only met with in certain parts. There are also gazelles and hares and a variety of bustard. The cheetah, or hunting leopard, is found in those parts of the desert frequented by gazelles, its principal prey. Its speed is almost incredible when it gives chase. It covers the ground in a rush that must be seen to be realized. A cheetah that the writer knew brought down an antelope in a run of six hundred yards, the quarry having a start of two hundred yards.

The Beduins, the true children of the desert, have changed least of all in Arabia. They are the wild freemen who harassed the caravans of pilgrims a thousand years ago and they still keep their old wild habits. As they ride along they note every fold in the ground, for it may serve them in case of an attack or a raid by other tribesmen, and they notice every tuft of grass and every bush as possible fodder for their herds or for some sign of foes in the neighborhood.

They guard their flocks and herds like the tribesmen of old. In the heat of the day they recline in the shade of a palm tree, if there be one, or beneath reed matting stuck up on poles. They know the ways of their sheep and goats, and during the noonday siesta we may see a mantle arranged upon sticks so that it resembles a man and serves as a substitute for the shepherd. From time immemorial the goats and sheep have grazed quite

placidly round the dummy under the impression that it is their master, and so they do not stray, while the shepherd is enjoying his sleep in peace.

One of the chief occupations of the Arabs is that of camel-breeding and they understand this animal better than any other race. From its hair they make blankets, tents, ropes and even clothing. They drink its milk, eat its flesh and tan its hide for leather; but they have no affection for the beast that gives them so much. Without the camels the Arab would scarcely be able to live in the desert, but all his affection, if he has any, is lavished upon his horse, which is looked upon as a family pet.

The horse is, however, unsuited to life in the desert as is shown in the following story which is current among the Arabs: "The horse complained to Allah that he was not made for desert journeying. His hoofs sank into the sand, the saddle slipped off his back, he could not reach the scanty grass and small shrubs which grew by the roadside. So Allah designed an animal which has a long neck for reaching after food, cushioned feet which did not sink into the sand, a hump on which the load could be balanced. But when the horse saw this animal it started with horror, and knew how foolish it had been to complain. It still may be observed how horses shy at the sight of camels, and sometimes can hardly be induced to pass them."

There is much of interest throughout Arabia. There are tribes whose origin is veiled in the mists of antiquity and there are fertile corners that the Arabs tell us have yet to be explored. There are no rivers, only "wadis", or valleys that are dry during most of the year but are sometimes occupied by streams. There are high mountains, stretches of bleak, arid desert that become fresh green pastures in the months of spring, and wonderful ruins of ancient, deserted cities. It is a fascinating country, for there we seem to be back in early days and among biblical scenes that have altered little in many centuries.

## THE ARABIAN PENINSULA

### FACTS AND FIGURES

#### The Country

A large eastern peninsula of Asia; bounded on the north by Iraq and Transjordan, on the east by the Persian Gulf on the south by the Indian Ocean, on the west by the Red Sea. Much of the land is desert, and some has never been crossed by Europeans. Includes several more or less independent states with boundaries ill-defined. Total area over 1,000,000 square miles; total population, probably about 7,000,000, but no census has ever been taken.

#### Political Divisions

(1) The kingdom of Nejd, capitals Mecca and Riyadh, has authority over Hejaz and Asir; area uncertain; population, above 3,000,000. (2) The Imam of Yemen, capital San'a; area, about 75,000 square miles; population, perhaps 2,000,000. (3) Sultanate of Oman, capital, Muscat (Muskat); area, about 82,000 square miles; population, estimated at 500,000

under British influence. (4) Sultanate of Koweit, capital Koweit; area, indefinite; population, exceeding 50,000; under British influence. (5) The Hadhramaut is inhabited by independent tribes most of which acknowledge allegiance to the Sultan of Makalla, at Makalla; under British protection. (6) Aden, British possession, with adjoining protectorate; area of Aden and Perim Island, 80 square miles, of protectorate, 9,000 square miles; population of Aden and Perim, 54,923. To Aden are attached for purposes of government the island of Sokotra; area, 1,382 square miles; population, about 12,000; and the Duria Muria Islands, five in number, annexed for purpose of landing Red Sea cable. (7) Bahrein Islands, five in number, in Persian Gulf, capital Manama; area, undertermined; population, about 100,000; under protection of government of India.

#### Government

No uniformity of government, which ranges from the patriarchal, tribal organizations of the Beduin to rudimentary states; influence of ruler dependent chiefly upon his personality; nothing resembling modern Western democracy.

#### Commerce and Industries

There are many rich oases and some fertile valleys, in which barley, wheat, coffee, dates and other fruits are raised, but Arabia is distinctly not an agricultural country. Camels, horses, donkeys and sheep are bred and some are exported as well as dates, wool, hides, clarified butter, and a limited amount of coffee. There is almost no manufacturing upon a commercial scale, though cigarettes, metal work and salt are produced in limited quantities. It is believed that there are minerals on the west coast. The pearl fisheries of the Persian Gulf are flourishing and some black coral is obtained.

#### Communications

The railway line from Mecca to Medina was put out of commission by the Wahhabi uprising. There is a short line of 35 miles from Aden to Hail. There are almost no roads and only a few motor busses. There are several wireless stations and the beginning of air-transport. Most of the coastal cities have regular steamer service.

#### Religion and Education

The inhabitants are practically all Mohammedans, though of different sects who do not always live in harmony. There is no system of education but schools are occasionally attached to the mosques in the larger towns. The Koran is the only textbook.

#### Chief Towns

All figures are rough estimates. Mecca, 70,000; Aden and Perim, 54,000; Hufuf, 30,000; San'a, Jeddah, Manama, and Maharaq, about 25,000 each; Muscat and Riquadk about 20,000 each; Medina, perhaps 10,000.

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## The Season Ends

A FINE afternoon, not a cloud in the sky. WHERE? WHEN? . . . at Woodland, Wed. Oct. the 16th — our final Aleppo Golf Tournament for 1935. It was an ideal afternoon for golf and a beautiful place to play it, or at it — but did it get chilly at dusk along about the 15th hole — that dinner sure went good when we got in.

About seventy turned out and seemed to enjoy themselves. The average score ran lower than usual, at least there were not as many high scores, only fifteen Nobles went over 100 — nine broke 90 and fifteen in the nineties. Wilfred Ouimet took the low gross for Nobles, with an 80 — L. C. Walton, second with 81 (coming IN with a 36) and a prize for four 3's — Geo. L. Dolloff and Wm. P. Moore scored 82 with an even 41 for each 9 holes, Noble Dolloff took the prize for most 4's, — eight, Noble Moore tied with Noble Chittenden in the Putting Contest, 26 Putts for 18 holes.

Here's a few more low scores for Nobles — Al. Hunt 84, H. P. Babcock 86, D. M. Chittenden, Dr. L. M. Crosby and Rex Roberts took 89 strokes each (practice strokes not included) Dr. Crosby carded fifteen 5's and 27 Putts (hope Doc enjoys his prize, a pair of Dinner Tickets, donated by Noble Lockhart of General Edwards Inn, Point of Pines) — Frank Came (came again) took the Long Drive, with the ball on the 235 yard line (Oh — I forgot — this is Golf) — Fred Marshall and Lewie Buettner tied for most 6's, one dozen — Fred White won the prize for

most 7's with eight — Frank Legro sneaked in a 2, on the 15th. hole — the highest score for a Noble was 112 — no Noble went into two figures on any hole.

There were many ties in the Kickers Tournament, the winners on the draw being Nobles O. A. Lawton and Bill Drewett and our Guests Dr. F. H. Williams, C. F. Butterworth and F. Johnson.

From the Guests score sheet I find that L. Gannon (Pro. at Happy Valley) had Low Gross for the day, 77, which included ten 4's — R. I. Peterson 84, R. M. Read and W. J. Clancy 88 — the highest score 114 — only one player had over a 9 on any hole and that was a 10 on the 10th.

Fifteen prizes were awarded after the dinner.

The bag lost at South Shore was returned but someone still has the tobacco pouch that was won by Jack Curley (Pro.), perhaps this gentle reminder will speed IT on its way also.

Well it's now 1 A.M. and me for bed, but before I end this "would be" write up, I want to thank those on the 1935 Golf Committee who have helped me out so much during the season and your Committee appreciates very much the many donations, used as prizes, that have been so generously given for these tournaments.

So — Farewell to the 1935 Aleppo Golf Tournaments —

Signing off . . . H. E. Q.

Ed. Note. — Henry says "signing off", but we hope he only means for this month as our readers have enjoyed his column every month and after all golf is a year round subject and can be talked in the winter as well as it is played in the summer.

Some of you golfers who are going South this winter can assist this publication by sending us golf news from the sunny South.

## FOOLISHNESS

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Tom: Well, I'd blubber too if I had to live on candles.

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## THE MORSE CODE

By Noble Jake Morse, Assoc. Editor

We all wish an abundance of good luck to Noble Frederick Huntington Briggs of Boston, who on Oct. 18th left by plane for Miami and thence to South America where he will visit Rio de Janeiro and fly over the Andes Mountains.

Noble Briggs is a past master of Joseph Warren Lodge, A. F. and A. M., Past Commander of Boston Commandery and Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

He certainly flies high and thinks there's nothing like aviation as a mode of travel.

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The many friends of Noble Dr. Paul S. Finkelstein will be very glad to know that he is able to resume the practice of dentistry in his offices in the Little Building.

A year ago while on a picnic at Fryeburg, Maine, with members of Shawmut Lodge A. F. and A. M., his mother lodge, he was thrown from a horse and in trying to save himself injured his arm so badly that for a time it was feared that he would lose his arm. Then to add to his misfortunes, the injured member would not knit and he had to succumb to operation after operation. Happily he has completely recovered and his arm is as good as new.

The doctor is now in his second year as master of Everett C. Benton lodge of East Boston and during his troubles has not lost a single communication, showing an amount of grit that is nothing if not exceptional.

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And now we hear that our blessed Morris Wolf of the detective squad is to have the pleasure of seeing his youngest son conducted to the altar — Dorothy Kahn of Brookline is the bride-to-be. Morris is the father of four sons — George of Ottawa, Canada, Joe, a member of the Craft, associated with his pater, Paul, who is in Florida, and Irving. There are also three daughters, 12 grand children and two great grand children — so we will

## Aleppo BOWLING

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Aleppo boasts of a trio of Nobles who are veterans in the advertising game, Joe, Bill and Irving Saxe. Bill recently was appointed a member of the finance commission of the City of Boston. He is well versed in financial policies and what he does not know about politics is not worth knowing. Irving is the baby of the family and holds a position in the advertising department of the Boston Globe.

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It will be interesting to know that Josiah H. Benton, youngest son of the late Everett C. Benton, former Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts and former Commander-in-Chief of Massachusetts Consistory, is Junior Deacon of the Everett C. Benton Lodge and has endeared himself to the membership by his excellent work.

His brother, Noble Jay R. Benton, is one of the Trustees of the Permanent Fund of that Lodge.

The senior Past Master of the Lodge is Noble James D. Robertson — so long in the Divan of Aleppo Temple. Dr. Robertson is the oldest living Past Sovereign Prince of Giles Fonda Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem.



### DEATHS

*Reported September 1, to October 1,  
1935*

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WILLIAM COWAN  
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ELVIN W. HARDING  
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HORACE BEDFORD HOYLE  
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JAMES MURRAY  
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W. CLIFTON PACKARD  
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JAMES HENRY WARING  
WALTER WADE WHEELER

*The Officers of Aleppo Temple express  
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We just can't refrain from printing some of the letters received at Shrine Headquarters and we'll beg your pardon for not running our blue pencil through the various compliments to the "News"!

The following comes from Noble Chester L. Goldsmith, M. D., a member of Osiris Temple:—

"I have just returned from my several months' trip away. I wish you might know of the pleasure derived from the "ALEPPO NEWS" when received by my father.

I am a member of OSIRIS TEMPLE Wheeling, W. Va., (he also is) but when we came back north he seemed to be so completely "shut off" he noticed it.

After one of the ALEPPO NEWS came in I took him down to Boston and he surely did have a good time.

Shrinedom is particularly attractive to him since he has traveled the country over in BYE-GONE DAYS with HIS Temple, he being on the patrol.

Thank you so much for this little attention to my father who is now age 84."

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A post card from Pittsburg, Pa., dated October 6th, carries this message from Noble Louis A. Bacon:—"Left Mass. last Saturday and arrived Mt. Lebanon, Pa., Sunday P.M. on visit to my daughter—Home next week. Kind regards to Potentate, Walter and others. Took Aleppo News along."

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From Noble Frederic Willard Moore of Millbury, Mass.:—

"I have enjoyed the 'Aleppo Monthly News' that have been so kindly sent to me and I wish to thank the Shrine for them. Monday night I went to the annual meeting of Olive Branch Lodge of this town of which I was Master in 1897 that being its 101st year and was soon after elected Trustee and was again elected for three years at the last meeting as well as appointed Chaplain for the 29th year and until the last year when I have been sick much of the time have attended almost every meeting."

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Here's a letter Recorder Walter Morrison showed us. It is an editorial in itself, you'll agree—

"Thanks for your kind consideration of an old member who has not attended a ceremonial since 1916, and who never wears a Shrine pin without a current card in his card case, and perhaps will never attend another ceremonial but is still interested and to prove that statement, Walter, I am enclosing my check for \$12.00 for 1935 dues and hope that it will be possible for me to continue. Wishing you success, I am sincerely and fraternally yours, Elam W. Morgan, Rutledge, Penna."

I want to thank you for the beautiful blue blanket I received through the Lawrence Company as a reward for having produced a candidate for our midsummer Ceremonial. You know I need no reward for such service. In fact anything I can do for Aleppo I deem a privilege and a pleasure.

I noticed in the Aleppo News for October mention of my being installed as Captain of the Host in St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter, but I did not notice any mention of my being installed as Senior Warden of Beth-Horen Lodge (Brookline) at its September 10th meeting.

Charles ("Charlie") K. Lawton

No one told us about it, Noble Lawton.

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In the Editor's Mail—

Harvey;

This might be good for the letter box. I admit it is complimentary and have hesitated to send it on that account. On the other hand it shows the spirit of a Noble who takes the time to visit when he hears of someone who is sick.

We, perhaps, don't do as much of that as an organization as we might well do. Lodges do make it more of a practice than the Shrine. Let's see what others think about it. — C. J. M.

Here is the letter—

Dear Potentate McKenzie;

"Words fail me in expressing myself as I should, so will try to brief my sentiments.

First I just want to add to the many other pleasing letters you no doubt have received, wherein you have been complimented and commended for your work this year, and if you cease now we can say 'Amen to what has been done, and all is well'. All things being equal we can't define one more than another. The above was not my main subject, so will get down to the real one. Received a letter last week from a friend in Fitchburg, Mass., telling of his boy, (young man of 40) who had been taken to the 'Robert B. Brigham Hospital' Park Hill Ave., Roxbury. Though not acquainted, I discovered he belonged to Aleppo Temple, so took the liberty of calling on him yesterday and was most heartily received. He is to be there about two months more for his Arthritis.

His being a long walk from home I thought that perhaps you might send him a personal word of cheer, or have the visiting committee wait on him. Perhaps I am overstepping, as all of the above may have been attended to already, and my efforts counted as wasted energy from a center-row-member.

My love for Aleppo and its members prompts me in doing this. With best wishes for more God-given powers to you, I am, Fraternally yours,

Noble Maurice S. Miller"

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Be thankful for the kindly friends that  
walk along your way;  
Be thankful for the skies of blue that  
smile from day to day;  
Be thankful for the health you own, the  
work you find to do,  
For round about you there are men less  
fortunate than you.  
Be thankful for the growing trees, the  
roses soon to bloom,  
The tenderness of kindly hearts that  
shared your days of gloom;  
Be thankful for the morning dew, the  
grass beneath your feet,  
The soft caresses of your babes and all  
their laughter sweet.  
Acquire the thankful habit, learn to see  
how blest you are,  
How much there is to gladden life, how  
little life to mar!  
And what if rain shall fall today and you  
with grief are sad;  
Be thankful that you can recall the joys  
that you have had.

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## We Have New Potatoes!

Lady: Are you positive these are  
new potatoes?  
Vender: New? Why, lady, they  
haven't even got their eyes open yet.

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## Subtraction

Fare: What! A dollar for six blocks?  
Taxi-Driver: What do you mean, six,  
it was seven!  
Fare: I know, but I'm about to knock  
one off.

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## Future Politicians

Willie: Hey, Johnny! My mother gave  
me a nickel to put in the collection box at  
Sunday School.  
Johnny: Mine did too. What kind of  
candy will we get with the eight cents?

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## He Knew Her!

Joe: How long have you known that  
Mrs. Green?  
Moe: How long have I known her!  
Say, I knew that dame when she wore her  
fur coat only on Sundays!

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## Tragedy

It is a dark and dismal night. Weaving  
uncertainly down the murky road comes a  
lone, lorn man riding a bicycle with no  
lamp. He comes to a crossroad and  
knows not which way to turn. But what  
is that, over in the gloom? A signpost, the  
Lord be thanked! 'Tis but the work of a  
moment to climb up it. It takes but a  
second to strike a match and read its in-  
structions. Ah, what does it say? It says,  
"Wet Paint."



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